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SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT

Sir:

Supplemental to the Amendment of August 26, 1999, entry and consideration of the following amendments and remarks are requested.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Amend the specification as follows.

Page 4, line 22, after "YMDD" insert --(SEQ ID NO: 30)--.

Page 6, line 19, after "follows" insert --(SEQ ID NO: 26)--.

Page 7, line 8, delete "Lys" and insert --Glu--; and

line 17, delete "G498" and insert --R/W499--.

Page 8, line 30, after "(SEQ ID NO: 27" insert -- and SEQ ID NO: 28--.

Page 9, line 25, after "sequence:" delete "(SEQ ID NO: 28)" and insert --(SEQ ID

NO: 42 and SEQ ID NO: 43)--; and

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